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TAGS: WHO, KS, KN, ES

SUBJECT: NORTH KOREA'S APPLICATION FOR WHO MEMBERSHIP

REF: A. STATE 66738 ; B. STATE 65086

1. WE DISCUSSED QUESTION WITH FOREIGN OFFICE ACTING CHIEF OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AFFAIRS ZALDIVAR, AND SENT FOLLOW- UP NOTE WITH GIST OF REFTELS. ZALDIVAR SEEMED SYMPATHETIC TO OUR ARGUMENTS, PARTICULARLY FOR THE NEED OF A DECISION ON MEMBERSHIP IN AN APPROPRIATE UN POLITICAL FORUM AND SAID GOES WOULD STUDY IT. HE ADDED THAT SOUTH KOREA HAS NOT YET APPROACHED GOES ON QUESTION. (WE SUGGEST DEPT URGE ROK TO AT LEAST SEND GOES NOT ON THE SUBJECT. SOUTH KOREA'S AMBASSADOR TO GOES RESIDES IN MEXICO) IN FACT, RELATIONS BETWEEN THE ROK AND THE GOES HAVE LONG BEEN QUITE FRIENDLY, ESPECIALLY UNDER THE PREVIOUS ADMINISTRATION OF PRESIDENT SANCHEZ HERNANDEZ WHO SERVED WITH THE UN FORCES IN KOREA IN THE EARLY 1950'S AND VISITED SOUTH KOREA ON A STATE VISIT WHILE PRESIDENT. APPARENTLY IN AN EFFORT TO KEEP UP ITS CONTACTS, THE ROK HAS RE-
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CENTLY INVITED EL SALVADOR' S PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
TO THE UN DR GALINDO POHL TO VISIT SOUTH KOREA IN
THE NEAR FUTURE.

2. FOR GENEVA: ZALDIVAR SAID THAT GOES WILL BE
REPRESENTED AT THE WHA BY DR ERNESTO ARRIETA PERALTA
NOW WITH THEIR MISSION IN GENEVA BUT UNTIL RECENTLY
AMERICAN DESK OFFICER AT THE FOREIGN OFFICE. ARRIETA
PERALTA IS WELL AND FAVORABLY KNOWN TO US AND WOULD BE
RECEPTIVE TO APPROACHES BY THE USDEL TO THE WHA.
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